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(Case No. 00-1278-B)

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Chaffeensis Antibodies )

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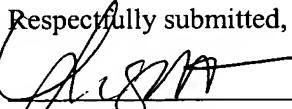
Dear Sir:

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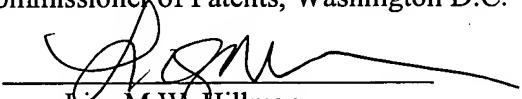
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